



**IN THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS
OF TEXAS**

NO. PD-1661-15

ROBERT FRANCIS RITZ, Appellant

v.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

**ON APPELLANT’S PETITION FOR DISCRETIONARY REVIEW
FROM THE THIRD COURT OF APPEALS
HAYS COUNTY**

PER CURIAM. NEWELL, J. filed a concurring opinion in which HERVERY, YEARY, AND KEEL JJ. joined. KELLER, P.J., filed a dissenting opinion in which WALKER, J. joined.

A jury convicted Ritz of continuous trafficking of a person. The court of appeals affirmed the conviction and held that the evidence was legally sufficient under the plain text of the statute even though the facts did not involve “organized crime, prostitution, or forced labor.”¹ This Court initially granted discretionary review to examine that holding. Having

¹ *Ritz v. State*, 481 S.W.3d 383, 386 (Tex. App.–Austin 2015).

examined the record and briefs, we conclude that our decision to grant review was improvident. We therefore dismiss Appellant's petition for discretionary review as improvidently granted.

Delivered: June 14, 2017

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